

**Listing of Claims**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the subject application:

Claims 1-116 (canceled)

117. (original) In a method of packing toner in a toner container including a sack formed of a flexible material and a toner outlet and deformable in accordance with an air pressure to thereby vary a capacity thereof, said toner container is packed with the toner with said sack reduced in capacity beforehand.

118. (original) A method as claimed in claim 117, wherein said toner is packed with the toner with air being sucked out of said toner container.

Claims 119-138 (canceled)